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THIS PAPER RECEIVES THE COMBINED TELEGRAPHIC-NEWS SERVICE OF THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATED PRESS AND THE UNITED PRESS.

Democratic National Convention.

The Democratic National Convention, at their conference in Washington yesterday, agreed upon July 17th next as the date for holding the Democratic National Convention, and on the twenty-ninth ballot Chicago was selected as the place in which the body will convene. The cities contesting the honor of entertaining the convention were Chicago, New York, Cincinnati, and St. Louis, the last-named being the place that has been chosen for the meeting of the Republican National Convention, which will assemble on June 16th.

The time and place of holding the National Convention having been determined, the campaign for the party's presidential nomination may be said to be now formally opened. Furthermore, to bring the matter more immediately home, the work of the National Committee renders the question of the time and place of holding our Democratic State Convention a live and practical one.

Great Britain and Armenia.

A cable dispatch from Constantinople says: Sir Philip Currie, the British Ambassador to Turkey, has handed to the Sultan an autograph letter from Queen Victoria. The contents of the letter are not given out at Constantinople, but the London Daily News says the only possible interpretation of her Majesty's action in the matter is that, feeling that her ministers were unable to do anything for the relief of the Armenians, she personally interfered with an appeal to the better nature of the Sultan, or that the letter was a womanly, royal protest against the hideous outrages perpetrated in Asia Minor.

If the Queen has written to the Sultan a letter that meets either of the suggestions of the News, her action is to be credit to the good-hearted and really womanly woman that she is. None the less the idea of appealing to Abdul Hamid's better nature, or of simply making a womanly, royal protest in the matter of the Armenian outrages is calculated to provoke a smile. In view of all that has happened since the present atrocities in Armenia began; in view, in fact, of the policy of Turkey for some years back in dealing with her Christian subjects, the presumption that the Sultan has a better nature is a very violent one.

No doubt the Sultan will reply most courteously to the Queen's autograph letter, if such a letter has really been received by him, and no doubt he will make all the promises that could be desired. But he will break these promises as unscrupulously as he has violated the assurances of reform he has repeatedly given to the "Concerted Powers." He is an adept in the art of making promises in order to gain time in which to carry out his programme of butchery, and thereby strengthen his hands with the Moslem fanatics who are disposed to resent his holding of the caliphate.

The day has passed in which there is any hope of securing cessation of slaughter in Armenia through diplomacy, appeals, or protests, or even ultimatums. The only relief for the persecuted Christians of that country, the only possibility of saving those who have survived the many recent massacres, is through intervention with guns. This the civilized world has recognized for some months, and that recognition has had vitality imparted to it by the refusal of Turkey to allow the Red-Cross Society to enter the empire, on its mission of mercy. Any one of the concerted Powers—the Powers pledged to seeing that reforms are instituted in Armenia—could bring the Sultan to terms, but Great Britain and Russia, especially, are not about to do this. The former, however, will not act summarily; and will not permit the latter to take a decided step. If Great Britain would allow its disrupted what has been sarcastically termed the "concert of nations," Russia could throw an army into Armenia in short order. In view of this the disposition of civilization to place the onus of the responsibility for the continuance of the Armenian horrors upon Great Britain than upon any other party to the reform compact is rapidly gaining in intensity.

Encouraging Signs.

The equanimity that prevailed in financial circles in New York Wednesday after the announcement that the Morgan syndicate had been dissolved was not disturbed yesterday. Wall street accepted the inevitable, and the condition of the market at its close was satisfactory. This is encouraging, in that it exorcised several of the bugbears were told would give trouble in case the new loan was not allowed to drift finally into the hands of the syndicate.

Another encouraging fact bearing upon this matter is found in the New York Herald's London financial special, which says the news of the dissolution of the syndicate created a good impression on the London market, and the prices of American securities improved; also, that it is now certain that bids for a considerable part of the new loan will be made on behalf of foreign investors. This evidence two things—renewal of confidence in American securities, and a strengthening of the belief that an amicable settlement of the Venezuelan question will be reached.

A Good Roads Idea.

Governor Werts, of New Jersey, has a good roads idea and developed it in his parting message to the Legislature of that State. His scheme contemplates a system of steel roads—that is, roads upon which steel rails shall be laid. It is not proposed that these roads shall be for cars, but for carriages, carts, wagons, and other vehicles drawn by horses.

Governor Werts claims that this rail plan would make driving easier than on any of the ordinary styles of highways; that the roads would last longer, and that on the track a horse could pull twenty times as much as on a dirt road, and five times as much as on a macadam. It is also claimed that a double-track road of this description would cost about the same per mile as a macadamized road, and would require fewer repairs and less attention than a macadam. The suggestion is said to be attracting considerable attention. Not that it is regarded that it would be advisable to apply the system to roads generally, but because it is thought it might be wise to adopt it for roads and stretches of road that are proof against improvement in any other way. One argument advanced in favor of this system is that in the cities every day we have a demonstration of the fact that it is much easier for a team to pull a heavy load along a street-car track than along the street bed proper.

New York formally opened a magnificent new clearing-house Wednesday, and a number of interesting things were said on the occasion.

The orator in chief, Mr. J. Edward Simmons, president of the Fourth National Bank, of the Metropolis, in referring to the progress made by New York's system of clearings, spoke as follows:

"It can truly be said that in no country is a business so intimately connected with an amount of the precious metals so surprisingly small. At least 90 per cent. of all the business of this country is a credit business done by checks, drafts, bills of exchange, and other commercial instruments. Every step in our mode of our system of exchanges reduces the importance of currency. Already our progress has given to the power to do the work done by \$100 at the beginning of the century. The currency of a country need not equal its wealth nor the volume of its mercantile transactions. The figures denoting the exchanges of the American clearing-houses amounted, in 1888, to over \$60,000,000—thirty times all the gold and silver in the bank notes then in the country. Therefore, not alone on the abundance of the currency—I venture to say not chiefly on the abundance of the currency—depends our country's business prosperity. No, the abundant means of communication, the annihilation of time and space by steamboats, railroads, telegraphs, and last, though not least, improved clearing-house methods, these also are important elements. Give us these, and let God anoint our fields with His blessings from His bounteous hand, and happiness will dwell in the abode of the farmer and the mechanic no less than in the home of the banker and the merchant."

It is said that a "crusade" in behalf of Morton's boom for the presidential nomination has been inaugurated among the negroes of the South, and, as the New York Times says, every politician knows what a canvas for hundred and thousands a Republican national convention means. Luckily, Mr. Morton's bar is ample.

The Humane Education Society suggests Mr. Gladstone as one of the arbiters of the Venezuelan trouble. On the principle, we suppose, that the Grand Old Man has a genius for getting on every side of every question.

Miss Susan B. Anthony, in a woman suffrage controversy, speaks disparagingly of President Eliot, of Harvard University, and so, instead of the old cry of "town against gown" we now have gown against gown.

The venerable Mr. Grow, of Pennsylvania, and also of the Federal House, seems to be curiously querulous, even though it should be said in his excuse that he is in his dotage.

An Albany apple woman is found to have laid up thousands of dollars in New York banks, the moral of which evidently lies, as Captain Bunsby would say, in the application of it.

And now Allison is a full-fledged candidate for the Republican nomination for President. He is in the field by consent, if not by direct authorization.

The Democratic National Committee has provided in advance for a warm time at the Democratic National Convention.

The Secretary of Agriculture is evidently disposed to insist that this is not seed time, any more than it is harvest.

BISHOP RILEY SUSPENDED.
Represented the Episcopal Church in Mexico.
(New York Times.)
The following notice of suspension of the Right Rev. Henry Chauncey Riley, late Bishop of the Valley of Mexico, which has been sent to all the bishops of the American Church and to the archbishops, bishops, metropolitans, and primates of churches in communion with the American Episcopal Church, has just been made public:

Acting in accordance with the advice given me, at my request, by the bishops of this Church on October 15, 1885, I hereby officially pronounce and announce to you the suspension of the Right Rev. Henry C. Riley, late Bishop of the Valley of Mexico, from all exercise of his office and ministry; said suspension to remain in full force until such time as the sentence may be reversed by the bishops of this Church, or until the bishops shall proceed, after trial, to the conviction or acquittal of the suspended Bishop. Given at Middletown, in the State and Diocese of Connecticut, on the 25th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.
JOHN L. WILLIAMS,
Bishop of Connecticut and Presiding Bishop.

By William Crowell Doane, Assessor.
This notice is the outcome of a dispute between the bishops of the American Church, which has existed almost from the time Bishop Riley was consecrated—about twenty years ago. For many years he had been connected with the Mexican mission of the Episcopal Church. At the

request of his people he was sent to the United States with a request that he be made a bishop, and was so consecrated in Pittsburgh, Pa., as Bishop of the Valley of Mexico. From the first, many contended that his consecration was not in accordance with the laws of the Church. Almost immediately after assuming the duties of the episcopate Bishop Riley offended the bishops of the Church in the United States by his conduct of affairs, and pressure was brought upon him to resign his office. This he did in 1880. He afterwards, however, maintained that his resignation was not a legal one, because he did not have the consent of his diocese or jurisdiction, and he continued to exercise the duties of his office in the matter of administering the rite of ordination, etc.

The announcement of his suspension was a surprise to many persons familiar with the facts in this city, for it was generally believed that Bishop Riley had not been in years under the canonical jurisdiction of the Episcopal Church in this country. Many of the people under his care are said to be faithful to Bishop Riley, and it is believed by those cognizant of the facts here that he will pay no attention to the edict of suspension thus passed upon him. His name has not appeared in any official list of bishops or presbyters of the Church in America for years.

Of the present condition of the Church in Mexico, Whittaker's Almanac says: "The original organization of the Church in Mexico, by the Church's own action, temporarily in abeyance. The government is now in the Cuero Ecclesiastico, which consists of the clergy and lay representatives of the congregations; the Episcopal authority being, by election, of the Cuero, in the Presiding Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, the commissary of the Presiding Bishop, with powers to act for him; and the Presbyter, Henry Forrester, is the resident representative in Mexico, appointed to guide and counsel the local authorities."

Lady Poverty.

(Pall-Mall Gazette.)
The Lady Poverty was fair,
But she has lost her looks of late.
With change of times and change of air,
Ah, slattern! she neglects her hair,
Her gown, her shoes; she keeps no
As once when her pure feet were bare.

Or—almost worse, if worse can be—
She scolds in parlors, dusts and trims,
Watches and counts, O, is this she,
Whom Francis met, when sleep was free,
In Umbria walked with Chastity?

Where is her ladyhood? Not here,
Not among modern kinds of men;
But in the stony fields, where cattle
Trough the thin, stony, stony, stony,
In delicate, spare soil and fen,
And slender landscape and austere.

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"I had indigestion so badly that I was all run down and could hardly walk. Had no appetite and could not sleep. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and before I had taken a fourth of a bottle I was very much better. I also used Hood's Pills and found them splendid, very mild, yet effective. I cannot say enough in praise for what they have done for me. Since using two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills occasionally I feel almost like a new person. I have a splendid appetite, sleep well and work with ease." ANNE C. LANTZ, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania.

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There is a right way and a wrong way to cure a cold, but you can make no mistake in using

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It is a pure, healthful stimulant which quickens the circulation and restores healthy action to every part of the body. It is a sure cure for colds, malaria, pneumonia. It assists nature and builds up the system.

Do not be induced to take any inferior whiskey which your dealer may try to substitute, but be sure that you get Duffy's. Nothing else can produce the same effects.

MEETINGS.

A STATED CONVOCATION OF THE WASHINGTON ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 3, will be held this Friday EVENING at 7 o'clock, January 17, 1896, Members of sister chapters and visiting companions are fraternally invited to be present.

By order of the M. E. H. Priest, J. H. SNEAD, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE UNITED BANKING AND BUILDING COMPANY.

will take place in the hall of the Chamber of Commerce, TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1896, at 12 o'clock P. M.

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Our Clearance Sale is still progressing. The nearer we approach our inventory time the more numerous the values become.

Friday and Saturday

will be two days of special and unusual bargains. Goods that we have a surplus of that we wish to dispose of before inventory, and we have made prices on them for Friday and Saturday that ought to clear them all out of our w'.

Ladies' Knit Underwear.

Vests and Pants, White and Natural, color, ribbed—all new goods this season, and neither soiled nor mused—All that sold at 75c. for 50c. All that sold at 50c. for 35c. All that sold at 35c. for 25c. All that sold at 25c. for 15c. All that sold at 15c. for 10c. All that sold at 10c. for 5c.

Children's Underwear.

Camel-Hair Goods that have never sold under 50c. a garment: Vests—Sizes 21, 23, 25, and 27. Drawers—Sizes 23, 25, 27, and 29. Friday and Saturday, 25c. Each.

Ladies' Combination Suits.

Two Gray Wool Combination Suits, size 4, and one White Wool Combination suit, size 4, regular price \$2. Friday and Saturday, \$1.25. One Gray wool Combination Suit, size 4, regular price \$2.50. For \$1.50. One Gray Wool Combination Suit, size 5, regular price \$3.00. For \$1.00.

Boys' Drawers.

White Wool, size 25, 27, 29, and 31, regular price \$1. Boys' Natural Wool Drawers, sizes 25, 27, 29, and 31, regular price \$1.50. Friday and Saturday, 75c. Boys' Natural Wool Drawers, sizes 23, 25, and 27